

## **OHV PLAN AMENDMENT/EIS**

### **February 2005**

### **Key Issues**

The following preliminary issues have been identified by the BLM to help focus the development of alternative strategies for the OHV designations and complete the environmental analysis. The issues may be modified and added to as a result of information provided through the public scoping period and as a result of continued agency review.

- What routes on public lands in Washington County should be open to motorized vehicles?
- What use restrictions should be placed on any routes that are designated as open in order to resolve conflicts with resources or other uses?
- What changes need to be made to current RMP OHV designations based upon new state and national policies?
- To what extent can BLM promote and designate multi-county linked trail systems?
- To what extent can BLM designate single use OHV trails to meet growing public needs for such use?
- What can BLM do to work with other jurisdictions to reduce trespass on state, private, or reservation lands from OHVs entering from public lands?
- What, if any, existing routes need to be closed to protect sensitive resources including important watersheds, riparian areas, wildlife habitats, archeology, and lands managed for their scenic and natural values?
- What thresholds should BLM establish for determining when OHV impacts on sensitive resources are unacceptable?
- How can BLM effectively use OHV user groups and other volunteers to assist with trail design, construction, maintenance and monitoring?
- What changes need to be made in designations to ensure seamless management across jurisdictional boundaries?
- What should BLM do to provide for new trail riding opportunities in the future?
- How can BLM ensure consistent signing and mapping of OHV roads and trails across affected jurisdictions?
- How does BLM address conflicts between route closures and county assertions under RS-2477?
- How can BLM support community economic goals by providing for suitable OHV uses and route designations?
- How can BLM work with other local, state and federal agencies to ensure consistent and effective enforcement of OHV activities?